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NEW ADAPTATION FOR BEAN DRIER

Invention Of G. F. Winter Turned To Still Another Purpose

The following highly interesting report comes from Honolulu:

The steam dryer recently invented by G. F. Winter, chief engineer of Lihue plantation, is apparently going to find another adaptation besides drying algaroba beans for feed, and cane bagasse for fuel.

Dr. E. V. Wilcox is exhibiting samples of alfalfa meal that were made from alfalfa grown at Lihue that seem to be a good deal better in quality than the average commercial "chaff" which is shipped down from California. The green alfalfa was once passed through the Winter dryer and after twenty minutes in the machine was dried out sufficiently to be ground into meal.

A great many farmers have attempted to make hay in Hawaii, with bad results as often as good ones. There is usually no difficulty in the hay-making process until the alfalfa is thoroughly wilted, but when it gets to that stage the moist Hawaiian atmosphere is liable to send it into the rotting, or fermenting stage, instead of continuing the drying process. In other words, transforming good alfalfa into good hay is attended by so much risk in this part of the world that it is not often attempted.

HOW DRYER WORKS

The Winter dryer consists of a steam jacketed cylinder two to four feet in diameter, twelve to twenty or more feet long with an archimedean screw or worm, running the full length. The bagasse, algaroba beans, alfalfa or other substance to be dried is fed into a hopper which empties it into the worm. The rate of revolution is so regulated that it may take any fixed time for the materials to travel the full length of the dryer. In the hay making experiment at Lihue the screw was run so that it took twenty minutes for the alfalfa to travel twelve feet, but by the time it reached the delivery end of the machine the alfalfa was dry enough to grind.

Doctor Wilcox said that if the alfalfa could be half wilted before it goes into the hopper the rate of operation could be very much more rapid.

STANDS COMPARISON.

Specimens of California alfalfa meal with which the Kauai article was compared indicated that the local article had all of the leaves in it while the imported article was mostly stems. As about two-thirds of the value of alfalfa hay, or alfalfa meal, is in the leaves it would seem that the Winter dryer turns out a product enough better than that from sun-cured hay to more than pay for the use of steam in the drying process.

KEEP MONEY AT HOME.

Doctor Wilcox said that this artificial hay-making process seems to be well worthy of a thorough trial. "If the alfalfa meal now imported in large quantities from the mainland can be manufactured locally it will keep a good many Hawaiian dollars at home," Wilcox said. "Furthermore it has already been demonstrated on the mainland that the use of artificial heat in hay-making is a business proposition, even with hay selling at about half what we have to pay for it in Hawaii." He said the Winter dryer looks like a very valuable adjunct to the Hawaiian alfalfa farm, as its use insures a perfectly dry product and eliminates the danger of turning out a mouldy product.

Crawford Entertains

Frank Crawford, of the Lihue bank, entertained a few friends at dinner at his residence last Wednesday evening.



The Fluffy Girl will come into her own this year

GAY COIFFURE CAPS AT THE FRENCH THEATRES

With gowns of white or pastel tinted material, women are wearing at the theatre now, in Paris, coiffure caps of almost Oriental brilliancy and hue. Royal purple, orange and cerise are the favored colors for these caps, which have a closely fitting, shirred crown attached to a wide headband. Gold or silver lace motifs are applied to the cap of gay colored silk crepe. Egyptian spangles are sewed on the lace and gold threads are embroidered between the spangles to complete the Oriental effect.

DELEGATES TO THE MAUI CONVENTION

Maui folks are already getting a line on the number of delegates liable to show up there for the Civic Convention the last of September or early in October. Only one of these conventions has yet been held, and as the rules do not provide for the number of delegates any civic or commercial body may send, it is quite easy to understand how a small community might be swamped by over-attendance.

In order to avoid any pilikia in the matter of accommodations, a committee of the Maui Chamber of Commerce has addressed letters to the various commercial bodies of the Islands, inquiring as to the number of delegates they may send. A letter of this sort has been received by the Kauai Chamber of Commerce. In reply to it, the Maui Chamber will be advised that Kauai expected to send twenty delegates, but that this number can be cut down to fit the accommodations at the Wailuku end of the line. The Maui letter, which is signed by Wm. Searby and John J. Walsh, is as follows:

"1914 CIVIC CONVENTION,"

"The undersigned have been appointed a committee on accommodations for delegates to the 1914 Civic Convention to be held this fall.

"You are no doubt aware that Maui cannot satisfactorily entertain an indefinite number of delegates for several days, and it may become necessary to limit the size of the delegations from the various civic associations in proportion to their membership.

"The convention will be held either the last week in September or the first week in October. The definite dates will be decided upon before the end of this month.

"Kindly advise by return mail the total membership of your organization, and give us an approximate estimate of the number of members desiring to visit Maui as delegates to this convention."

County Clerks Meet

The county clerks of the various islands met with Secretary Thayer, at Honolulu, yesterday to go over the new primary law. Mr. Kaneakua, of Kauai, who went down Saturday to attend the conference, will return tomorrow. In calling the conference, Secretary Thayer had the following to say:

"The first Primary Election will be held under the terms of Act 151 of the Session Laws of 1913 on the 12th day of September, 1914, and various duties are imposed upon the county clerks and the Secretary of the Territory in connection with the primary law, and it seems advisable to have the various county clerks meet with the Secretary at a time that will be convenient to discuss the preparation of the necessary forms and, in general, the conduct of the Primary."

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Kauai Was Third

In the singing competition at the Maui church convention, Kauai came out third, the judges ruling the several islands in the contest to be in the following order: Molokai, Oahu, Kauai, Maui, Hawaii. The two songs chosen for the test were "Creation" and "Mile's Lane." The judges were: Rev. C. G. Burnham, Mrs. Chisholm Jones, Washburn Baldwin, I. H. Kunewa and Moses Kauhiamu.

Students Lose On Maui

The All-Students baseball team did not have as much luck on Maui as here. They won the first game by a score of 13 to 9, both sides playing badly. Then the Mauiis turned on them and walloped the Students twice, the scores being 4-3 and 5-3. A big banquet at Wailuku followed the last game of the series.

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